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ILWU Local #19 would like to comment on the DEIS for the Alaskan Way Viaduct.

We feel first and foremost that the most important thing to consider is to keep the present access level to container Terminal #46 during and after construction.

Terminal #46 is one of the main three (3) terminals in the Port of Seattle that drives the economic engine of the state and of the nation.

Whichever alternative is picked, Terminal #46 must remain a viable working container terminal. It would be ideal if on the south end, E. Marginal Way could be moved to the East and Terminals 25 & 30 could be fully utilized as container terminals, and have direct access to the S.I.G. intermodal yard.

The ILWU feels that the WSDOT, FHWA and SDOT have a great opportunity to keep the Port of Seattle a gateway to the world.

The Pacific Maritime Association estimates cargo will double through the West Coast by 2015, and the Port of Seattle is in position to prosper if we plan for the future.